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## THREE DEAD IN ST. MAARTEN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

PHILIPSBURG— Two motorcycles collided on the L.B.Scott Road Friday night and 3 young men were killed in the accident. They were identified as: Dominico Elsbeth 30, Gilbert Lucas 23, and Stewart Engel, 19.

## ARUBA'S FIRST ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED WEEKLY

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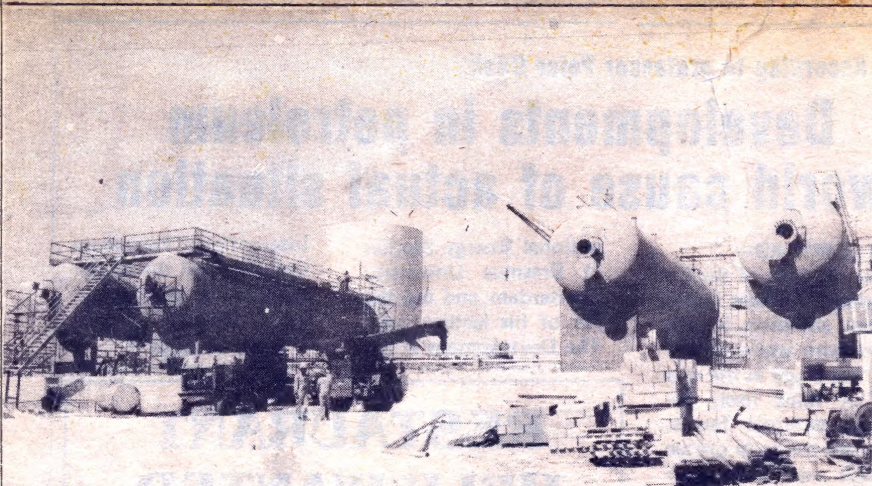
### LAGO HAS INSTALLED IN A RECORD TIME A

# 900,000 DOLLARS PROJECT TO ENSURE SUPPLY OF LPGF TO THE ISLAND

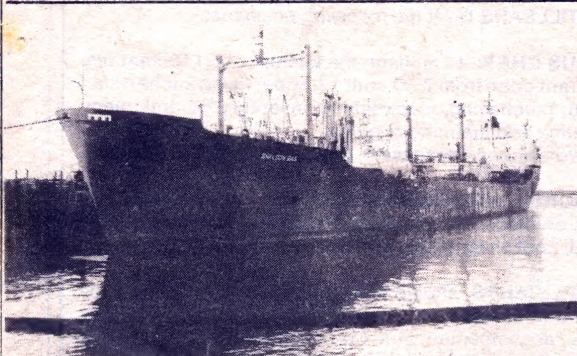
January 29 Lago Oil & Transport Company, Ltd received the first cargo of Propane LPG on the vessel "Sheldon Gas", to be used to supply the local market. Traditionally Propane

LPG was produced directly from Lago processing units and required limited storage facilities before delivery to the local market. To be able to import cargoes of LPG and to as-

sure supplies to the island, Lago has just completed in a record time of 4 weeks a project to install additional storage facilities at a cost of approximately US dollars 900,000.



LPG storage tanks under construction. This \$ 900,000 project, which was installed in a record of four weeks, will increase the storage capacity from 1800 barrels to 7000 barrels.



The "Sheldon Gas" (which today unloaded the first LBG cargo of 600 barrels.

The new facilities consist mainly of unloading lines and 4 storage drums which will increase the

present storage capacity from 1800 to 7000 barrels. In days of inventory this means an increase from 10 days presently to 45 after the facilities are in operation. Lago plans to import Propane at a rate of one vessel ap proximately every 6 weeks.

## Mass Demonstration Planned For Today

ORANJESTAD— A mass demonstration in the form of a "protest march" is planned for this afternoon 4:30 in Oranjestad. The organizers of the march have requested the support of all the labor unions on the island, and expectations are that many union members will attend. The aim of the march is to express the dissatisfaction of the unions against the austerity measures passed by the government, which are supposed to be effective February 1, (tomorrow) On tuesday the Lt. Go-

vernor issued the permit to hold the demonstration. It was the intention of the organizers to march from the Jauncho Irausquin square and march to the government office, but according to reports, the authorities were not in favor of the proposed route. It was later reported that the march will start at the Hotel Central and continue via the Mainstreet and Hendrikstreet to the Juancho Irausquin square. A last minute report said that the General Advisor to the

### Castro still a threat to the Caribbean

The sub-secretary for Interamerican Affairs, Langhorne Motley Says: FIDEL CASTRO is interested in countries where there is political instability and economic difficulty. See page 3



## LAGO STOPPED REFINING

According to reports, refining crude oil came to an end at Lago Sunday night when the hydrogen plant stopped operating. Lago does not have anymore crude oil in stock. The refined oil is

being shipped overseas and it is expected that dismantling of the refinery will start shortly. But first all the units, and pipelines would have to be steamed, water-washed and gas-freed.



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# Village Talk



by WILLY

Well dees Aruba calypso an' roadmarch judge dem is someting else. Willy wondah how dey judge dat contest. Leave it to Willy it would ah been "Cliffy" and "Reds" or "Cliffy" all de way.

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Well Aruba is Aruba an' when de carnival season start loik everybody does go mad. Ef a lil rain start to fall de Aruba people dem does start



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scamperin', but dey stay in de rain till dey get soakin' wet jumpin' up on de spote park wide de hot calypso music. Dey really hav' a toim.

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A fella tell Willy dat dey cud call dis year wha dey want but to he it look loik in Aruba is de year ah de fightin' woman. He say woman hittin' polees in dey head wid hammer an' dey beatin' each udder wid broomstick. Extra polees had to come before de woman dem kill de order polees.

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Willy hear dat de closin dong ah Lago goin be a

big toim show en march 31. Dey say Mr. Cabalago heself comin' dong to close de gate an' dat CBS an' NBC comin' to put it on the television

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A fella tell Willy dat dis ting bouk de lover boys an' lover giols dem in de new houses dem in de village ain't nuttin. He say before dey put on de roofs de bacanal had done start already.

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A lady tell Willy dat ef in Curacao dey use to play calypso an' soca fo' canival she would go see it, but she say dat she can't see sheself dancin' tumba fo' canival.

## Editor's Corner

### What is the real reason?

The reasons for the imminent closure of the Lago refinery could be many, of which only Exxon know the real one. Could it be the world recession? Could it be the surplus of oil in the world? Could it be because the multi-national concern is losing money? Could it be that the refinery is outdated and obsolete? Could it be due to Venezuela refusing to give Lago preferential treatments? Or could it be that since the Island Government increased taxes some years ago that Exxon started the shut-down procedure. Could it be on account of the haphazard supply of water and energy to the refinery during recent years? Or could it be for political reasons? It is still unclear which is the real reason that premediated the departure of the Lago Oil & Transport Co. Ltd., the pillar of the economy of Aruba in particular and the Netherlands Antilles in general.

Whatever is the reason, the fact remains that the Lago will close on March 31. The important question now is: What now?

Of course the refinery will be missed, Not only in Aruba, but also in the other islands, but by now we should realize that the closure of the Lago is not the end of Aruba, but rather the end of chapter in the history of Aruba, which marks the beginning of another chapter. A contributor to one of the Curacao dailies wrote recently that what is needed in the Netherlands Antilles these days is a large dose of "positivism". We also need optimism, unity, and the spirit of cooperation. If there was ever a time when our business associations, civic clubs and social organizations should cooperate, it is now. The people should be encouraged by slogans and programs of motivation. For the past years we have been hearing much about patriotism, national anthem, flag, etc. etc. and love of country. If there was ever a time to demonstrate love of country, it is now. This is the time for our political leaders to manifest their responsibility toward their country and the people who elected them, and to put into practice the much quoted statement "don't ask what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country". Now is no time for continuous accusations and insinuations. Let bygones be bygones. But nevertheless, let the past be a lesson to us, and in due time we will be given the democratic opportunity which will enable us to make the necessary changes and adjustments. In the meantime we feel that our political leaders should be the first to show example. Stop fighting each other; stop the polarisation; stop with partisan politics and self-aggrandizement and favoritism. Demonstrate real love for our island through hard work, sincerity, responsibility and cooperation. Only by exercising those virtues can our beloved Aruba be saved at this time

## YMCA presents special opportunity for childrens

SAN NICOLAS— Starting on February 4, the YMCA in San Nicolas will start a series of lessons for children between the ages of 6 and 12. Three instructors will give lessons in designin g, painting, easy cooking and art. Monday at 5 p. m. Mrs. Maria La Torre

will give an hour lesson in designing and painting. On tuesdays at 4.30 p.m. Miss Grace Marsdin will teach the children

easy cooking. On wednes day at 4.30 p.m. Mrs. Norma Beukenboom will give lessons in handiwork.

According to professor Peter Odell:

## Developments in petroleum world cause of actual situation

WILLEMSTAD—

"The position of the Netherlands Antilles in the actual situation in the petroleum world is that of "the piggy in the middle", it finds itself between external forces, who are trying to protect their own interests, or simply trying to survive" said Professor Peter Odell, during his speech at a symposium held by the University of the Netherlands Antilles in Curacao. Professor Odell is the director of the University Centre for Inter-

national Energy Studies at Erasmus University, Rotterdam and the theme of his lecture was "The Development in the

International Petroleum Industry and the consequences for the Netherlands Antilles." Prof-  
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### MASS DEMONSTRATION Cont. from front page

Executive Council Mr. Betico Croes announced that if permission for the march is granted he will be present at the end to give some explanations.

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## Castro still a threat to the Caribbean

By Observer

The sub-secretary for Inter-American Affairs, Langhorne Motley said recently in Barbados that Caribbean countries should watch out for forces backed by Cuba who are attempting to topple their governments. Motley said that in spite of the fact the Marxist government of Grenada fell on October 25, 1983, when the American invasion eliminated the only pro-Cuban government in the region, the communist threat continues. Motley explained that (Fidel) Castro is interested in countries where there is political instability and economic difficulty. The countries

in the region "must keep their eyes open", said Motley. He added that Washington is concerned about the recent increase of violence in Jamaica, which according to the American government, is being supported by Cuba. Motley further indicated that although the government, is being supported by Cuba. Motley further indicated that although the governments in the region is strengthening their military forces and increasing their defensive capacity with aid and training by the U.S. this does not increase the danger of military coups in those countries. "Those who say that the actual situation in the Caribbean will

be conducive to military coups Central American style don't know much about Central America nor the Caribbean", he said. The fact that the eastern zone of the Caribbean understands that it is necessary to take adequate security measures modest as they are, does not mean that they are militarizing the region. . . According to American Government functionaries 200 million dollars are destined for economic aid to the region, but the money will go primarily to the former British islands in the eastern Caribbean. Mr. Motley visited Barbados, Grenada, Dominica, Antigua and Barbuda.

## Bees kill 3 Aruba dogs

SAN NICOLAAS --- A swarm of bees has attacked a residence here, killing three pet dogs and slightly injuring the housewife, police report.

puppies dead and also injured the woman of the house. When the patrol arrived, the swarm had flown away.

Police say occupants of a house situated on Palisiaweg told a patrol that a swarm of bees stung their dog, its two

Police say a local bee grower has been contacted to possibly help capture the attacking swarm whose origin is unknown.

## TIVOLI CLUB'S LIGHTING PARADE ON FEBRUARY 2, 1985

ORANJESTAD— The 4th annual "Lighting parade" of the Aruba Tivoli Club will take place on Saturday, February 2, in the streets of downtown Oranjestad. The parade will start at 8 p.m. The route is as follows: Verbindings-

weg, Nassastraat, Van Leeuwenhoekstraat, J.G. Emanstraat, Nassastraat, Adriaan Lacle Boulevard, Wilhelminastraat, Oude Schoolstraat, Zoutmanstraat, finish at parking lot behind Tivoli Club tennis court.

## Minister De Koning To Visit Antilles

The Minister for Antillean Affairs, Drs. Jan de Koning, will pay the first of two annual visits to the Netherlands Antilles from February 3 to 11. On February 3, the minister and his delegation

will arrive in St. Maarten accompanied by the Minister Plenipotentiary, Gualberto Hernandez. Minister de Koning will meet with the individual governments of the six islands.

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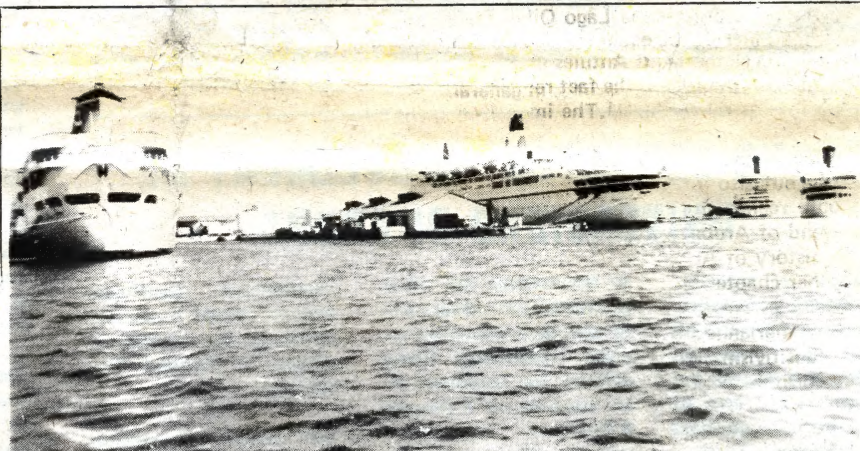
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ORANJESTAD—4 Cruise Ships docked in Oranjestad harbor on Monday, January 28, with a total of about 5000 tourists on board. They were: the "Royal Princess" and "Royal Odyssey". The tourists were a welcome sight in the Oranjestad shopping center and many spent an enjoyable day on the beach. Picture gives a panoramic view of the ships moored in Oranjestad harbor.

## Developments in petroleum

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sor Odell said that for example in western Europe 25 percent of the refineries have closed or are planning to do so. The general expectations are that the demand for petroleum products in western Europe will not increase, but will probably become less, and that is motivating the oil companies to rationalize their operations as much as possible. The disequilibrium between capacity and demand is bad enough, but the dif-

iculties are becoming worse due to the fact that the construction of other refineries and chemical factories in several OPEC countries, the products are for export and not for local markets. The adverse development in western Europe, which are already bad, will become worse, due to the fact that a number of international petroleum companies have compromised to bring the products of their refineries on the market,

said Professor Odell. Odell also mentioned that it is nothing strange that things are going bad for petroleum companies. For example the Shell refinery at Teesport is on the point of closing and the Mobil refinery at Wilhelmshaven in western Europe is planning likewise. Both companies have accepted the obligation to take products from the new refineries in Saudi

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ORANJESTAD—Mr. Milton Henriquez (center) was sworn in by Lt. Governor Pedro Bislip last week as Deputy of Finance etc. in the newly formed Island Government.

## EMPLOYEES OF B.J. ARENDS AND SONS HARDWARE GET SERVICE AWARDS

ORANJESTAD— Ten employees of the B. J. Arends & Sons Inc. Hardware Store received Service Awards last week. They are: R. Cran-

ston, 5 years; Filomena Dirks, 5 years; Dora Croes, 5 years; Tom Maduro, 10 years; Linda Hovertsz, 10 years; Sonia Svhwengle, 10 years;

Luciano Ras, 10 years; Pedro Arends, 20 years; Donald Arends, 25 years; Employee of the Year is Richard Luidens with 22 years service.

## SECOND SEMESTER ENROLLMENT AT UNIVERSIDAD DI ARUBA

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## Developments in ...

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Arabia. "The fact that conditions are bad elsewhere is no consolation for the consequences of the closure of refineries in Curacao and Aruba. And the fact that what is happening here is part of a world phenomenon of petroleum failures committed in the make the expectations much darker", Professor Odell remarked.

Another refinery confronting problems at the moment is one in Singapore, which was built under same capacity as those in the Netherlands Antilles. The reason for this is due to the fact that Indonesia, just as was the case in Venezuela and Mexico, expanded its refining facilities to serve the local domestic markets. If possible, Indonesia will work on the export of products, taking away business from the refineries in Singapore, whose crude must be bought at international prices. Contrary to the case of the Netherlands Antilles, Singapore is well situated and has good cooperation with Indonesia, though the latter has all the cards in its hands. "Unfortunately for the Netherlands Antilles, the regions of the Caribbean and South America do not enjoy the dynamism of economic expansion, as is the case in oriental Asia. Venezuela as well Me-

xico is better situated and equipped to prove their capacity, which is also the case with Indonesia. Professor Odell continued to say that expectations for a demand for service from a petroleum sector like the Netherlands Antilles for supply is not likely. Professor Odell concluded that he is a very optimistic person, but in the case of the Shell refinery, unfortunately he cannot be optimistic, taking into consideration the situation in the petroleum market, and indications are that it will become worse !!

Professor Odell said that Holland should be reminded of its responsibility toward the Netherlands Antilles and of the gentleman's agreement it has with Exxon and Shell, referring to the two refineries in Rotterdam belonging to the two multi-nationals. He said that Holland should be asked if such agreement would not be applicable for Curacao and Aruba. The professor said that in the long run the developments in the Netherlands Antilles are sure to affect the economy of Holland. However, when he was asked if he thought that it would be a good step for the Central Government to invest in the Shell refinery, he declined.

## Police seeking to transfer out of Aruba will get the word in February

ORANJESTAD — Netherlands Antilles Minister of Justice Leslie Navarro has met with the island government here on the problems if any

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**ORANJESTAD**—The first group of passengers to make the connection with the cruise ship *Fair Sea* in the Turn Around trip arrived by Eastern Airlines. A total about of 600 passengers travelling by Eastern, American Airlines and A.L.M. will make the connection every 24 days.

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The Pope ate lunch with 100 steel workers at a huge state-run mill before winding up his four-day visit to Venezuela and traveling to Ecuador, the second country on his 12-day trip to Latin America and the Caribbean.

He arrives in Ecuador tonight.

The crowds here chanted "Viva El Papa" and greeted his speech with wild cheering and flag-waving. A stadium was alive with singing and dancing to Caribbean salsa rhythms even before the Pope had arrived.

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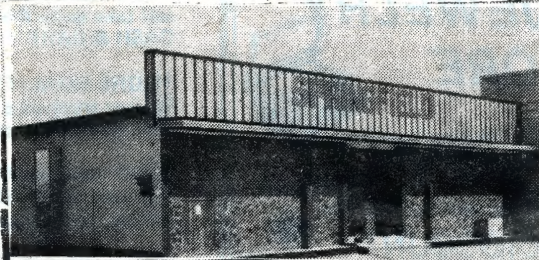
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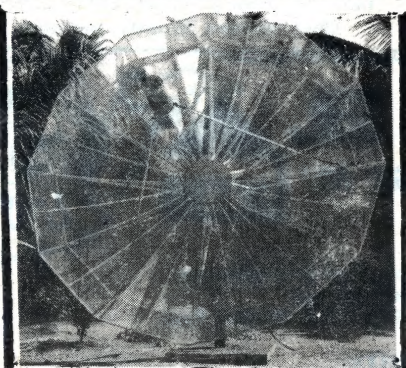
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and we playing from dawn till sundown

Hear the people.....Road on fire.  
People Bawling.....Road on fire  
Music pelting.....Road on fire  
Asphalt melting.....Road on fire.

Carnaval bachanal.....carnaval festival.

Jump-up jump up ( of jump up don't stop) 4x

Music sweet.....  
Feel the heat.....  
Not the sun.....  
Drinking rum.....

When you see Group Leaders grieving  
T'is the players leaving  
They come to jump behind me  
To this melody  
Everybody coming over  
'Cause with us the Road on Fire.

Hold a darling.....Road on fire  
Keep she moving..... Road on fire  
Give she something.....Road on fire  
Keep on jumping.....Road on fire.

When you hear them talk 'bout soca  
They know we's the master  
When the talk 'bout Road on fire  
They jumping up higher  
People joining in we band  
See man 'fraid to lose their woman

Feel so high.....Road on fire  
Touch the sky.....Road on fire  
you and I.....Road on fire  
We gon' fly.....Road on fire.

Feel the heat...music sweet, it's the heat,  
Lord it sweet.

Jump up, jump up.....Music playing  
jump up don't Stop....bodies swaying  
Don't stop jump up...the road, the road  
jump up, jump up.....Tis on Fire.

Thursday, January 31, at 6 p.m. Children's Carnival Contest at the Bonaire Club. Contestants for the King title will be; Jarzino de Windt, Gino Kemp, Eddy Hermanos, Alan Tarr, Emilio Murray and Clifford Spanner. They will be accompanied by "Musical Time".

Friday, February 1, at 8 p.m. Tumba Festival in the R.C.A. Stadium.

Saturday, February 2, from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Savaneta Youth and district Queen election in the Sacred Heart school.

Oranjestad Youth and district Queen election at R.C.A. club from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Sunday, February 3, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Transfer of Command by the Governor to Prince Carnival, followed by parade thru Aruba. 1 p.m.

Children's Carnival Parade in San Nicolas. Santa Cruz district Queen election, 6 p.m. at Estrella Club. Monday, February 4 at 8 p.m. Tanki Leendert District Queen election and show at R.C.A. club,

followed by jump-up from Tropical Field to Paradise Restaurant. Tuesday February 5, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight, Show and Public Dance on the promenade in San Nicolas.

## Winners of Calypso and Roadmarch Contest



**SAN NICOLAS**—A large crowd of calypso fans attended the Calypso & Roadmarch contest at Lago Sport Park Wednesday night. Not even the constantly pouring rain could dampen the carnival spirit of the crowd as they danced, pranced, and roared for their favorite contestant. "Mighty Talent" the winner of both titles last year, lost the Roadmarch title to "Mighty Cliffy", but retained the Calypso King title. Above: "Mighty Cliffy", who won the Roadmarch King title with "Road on Fire" and "Mighty Talent", who won the calypso king title with "Complaints".



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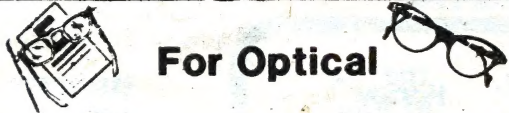
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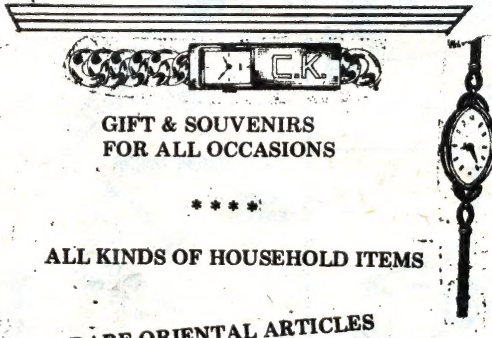
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### Police seeking ...

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concerning the high number of requests by police working in Aruba to be transferred to other islands, the Antilles federal Information Service reported today.

In the recent meeting between Navarro, Aruba Lieutenant Governor Pedro Bislip,

Aruba Commissioner Nelson Oduber, Aruba Acting Police Commissioner Walter Kramers, and island government legal expert W.G. Ter Weeme, it was agreed that the federal government will take a decision on the requests before February 28, the Service says.

It was also decided the requests will be decided upon in the framework of the findings of a federal working group that is now studying "the pro-

blem" and must report before February 28 on the possibilities and conditions of making Antilles Police Corps members available on loan to the Aruba corps-to-be after January 1, 1986, when Aruba goes it alone

from the other Antilles islands.

The Service says the Aruba government has made it clear to Minister Navarro that it is "very interested in the orderly and responsible transfer of federal police functions to the island government when Aruba becomes a status apartus on January 1, 1986." "Personal sympathies and antipathies in this on the part of the Aruba

government are excluded," the Service today quoted the Aruba government as assuring.

The Service says there will be a place for every policeman now working on Aruba in the new Aruba corps "which will not deviate in form and structure much from the Antilles Police Corps."

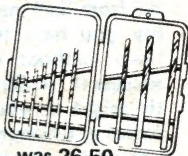
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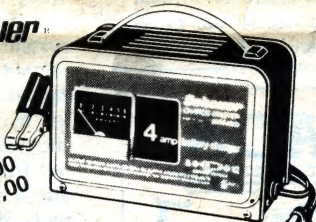
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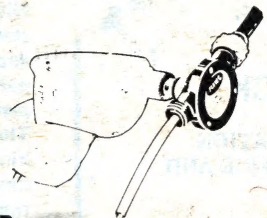
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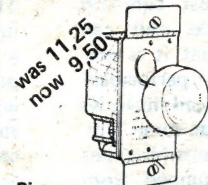
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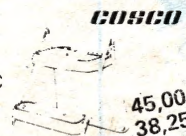
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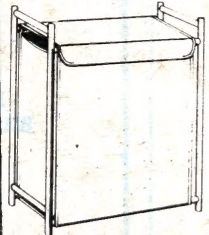
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### TWO 14 YEARS OLD BOYS ADMIT ROBBERIES

ORANJESTAD—Two 14 year old boys, V.M. and J.M. told detectives that they are guilty of 20 robberies in the Eagle area. For months people living in that area complained their homes were broken into and valuables were stolen. Last week the two boys were arrested and admitted that they are the culprits.

### Ten people injured in traffic accident

ORANJESTAD—Ten people were injured in a traffic accident which occurred Saturday afternoon on the highway in the vicinity of Pos Chiquito. The driver of the car who caused the accident while trying to pass two cars had to be placed in the intensive care with serious injuries to his neck and other parts of his body, the drivers of the other cars also had to be hospitalized, the other occupants were sent home after being treated at the hospital.



# CURACAO BANKER SAYS: CENTRAL BANK SHOULD INSPIRE CONFIDENCE

WILLEMSTAD— "The measures taken by the Central Bank should inspire confidence instead of panic", said Mr. Ron Gomes Casseres, one of the directors of the Maduro & Curiels Bank. The measure in question is that all Antilleans who need money to travel overseas must present their passage to the bank in order to buy dollars according to their necessity. The bank will take into account the number of days the Antillean will remain overseas, in the meantime the Central Bank has stipulated that no Antillean will be allo-

wed more than 20,000 dollars to travel overseas. Mr. Gomes Casseres said that the measure the bank has taken is even logical, if we take into account the phenomenon in 1983 and 1984 when it was noted that the amount of money Antilleans spent overseas as tourists amounted to more than what visiting tourists left in the Netherlands Antilles. This demonstrates an unhealthy development which is not good", said the banker. He said that that proves that people buy dollars at commercial banks, without really using the money to

travel overseas. He is of the opinion that the bank wants to institute a stricter control on the traffic of currency. But that does not mean that our currency reserve is in danger. He thinks that the origin of the measure is the situation in Aruba. At the branch of the Maduro Bank in Aruba, the Caribbean Mercantile Bank, it was also noted that current accounts and savings have decreased considerably lately. "But it is very difficult for us to conclude

that what is happening here is on account of the situation in Aruba", he said with caution. "The Central Bank has the resources to follow such a development closely and take note of the trend

the development takes". Gomes Casseres thinks that the measure taken by the Central Bank is correct. He referred to expressions made by the general director of the Maduro Bank, Mr. Lajo Capriles, when he stressed

for more restrictions on the flow of currency. Other experts in the field have similar opinions. Mr. Gomes Casseres said that the measure instituted by the Central Bank should inspire confidence in all those who doubt. "It demonstrates that our Central Bank is not sitting down quiet and that it has the necessary attention for the financial situation of our country. That surely is no reason for anyone to panic", said Mr. Gomes Casseres

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## DUTCH STATESMEN SAYS: PUT OWN HOUSE IN ORDER FIRST

WILLEMSTAD— "The economic developments in the Netherland Antilles have us worried very much". While the whole world is recuperating slowly from economic recessions, the Antilles have structural problems, both in the petroleum industry and in the off-shore sector. The consequences that this has on the national income of the Antilles and the income of the government is such that it can indeed be called a crisis situation", said Dr. Zoutendijk, vice-president of the Dutch Parliamentary Delegation, during a public meeting with the senate. He said that Holland will not forsake the Antilles. But they insist that we improve our internal situation first. Among other things Dr. Zoutendijk mentioned the governing apparatus, which must be improved, and there must be a much stricter control than at the moment. We should also procure for the collection of taxes and retributions of each according to legal agreement. "We cannot get rid of the idea that we have, that the expenditures of the government has gotten out of hand and that the number of civil servants is more than is required for a government to function efficiently. It is there fore highly necessary to reduce the number of civil

servants and reduce salaries" according to Dr. Zoutendijk. Due to the situation which arose at Lago and Shell and the Dock co., and also due to the large deficits on the budget, it will be necessary to reduce the income in all sectors, not only that of the civil servants, but the income of the entire populations", said Dr. Zoutendijk. It is remarkable that several of the recommendations made by Dr. Zoutendijk are similar to those made by Prime Minister Maria Liberia Peters in her message to

the government. In her message the prime minister also mentioned the reduction of the salaries of civil servants and the income of free professions. "If such contributions are not done voluntarily in consultation with social partners it will have to be done by strong intervention through the so-called "Machtiging swet", with or without it is in combination with the devaluation of the Antillean guilder. On the part of Holland it is dif-

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## Hundreds jailed in Dominican Republic

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (UPI) — Security forces have arrested hundreds of people protesting a recent wave of price-hikes while the government banned live reporting of the disturbances and police detained eight journalists.

Activity was paralyzed Monday in poor neighborhoods in the north of Santo Domingo as businesses closed their doors in response to a strike called by the "Committees For the Popular Struggle" to protest price-hikes.

Protesters threw garbage in

the streets and burned tires while two military helicopters and small aircraft flew overhead and directed ground forces to centers of unrest.

News reports said Army and special police units arrested hundreds of demonstrators in the barrios and made dozens of house arrests.

There were reports of similar demonstrations in at least four other cities of the Caribbean country which has a population of 6.5 million. In Santiago, the country's second largest city, police arrested more than 50 "leftists" and labor leaders.



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# ESSO INTER-AMERICA ADOPTS VOLUNTARY LAY-OFF PROGRAM

Esso Inter-America management has adopted a voluntary separation program for coral gables

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tions in Aruba, and continued depressed regional and world-wide energy demand mandate a reassessment of organizational structures and continued emphasis on cost reduction.

October 31, 1984 is still in progress and the final results are now anticipated in late february. Although the future CCA organization, supporting staffing levels and impact on Esso Inter-America have not been finalized, a personnel surplus will exist in both organizations. The first step in

managing this surplus is to offer a voluntary separation or early retirement program.

Employees who are interested in participating in this program must make their decision by February 28, 1985. It is

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The organizational study which Esso CCA management announced on

## Companies to handle EXXON marketing functions and other matters

On January 25, 1985, Esso Petrolera, S.A. of Washington Delaware and Esso Marine Supply Company, established in Nassau, Bahamas, both affiliates of Exxon Corporation, applied to the Government of Aruba for permission to the

Government of Aruba for permission to establish branches on the island.

The purpose of Esso Petrolera is to be charged with local marketing functions, when the necessary permits have been obtained. Esso Marine

Supply Company will then be able to serve Lago in settling various issues such as community

administrative and security, and eventual dismantling of the facilities during the transition period.

## Dutch Statesmen Says: ...

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difficult to expect extra aid, while you all decline to take the necessary

measures, due to political motives. You all must act rapidly, because according to information in communication me-

dia, there is a possibility that there will be an exodus of Antillean guilders. Dr. Zoutendijk remarked that the delegation told Aruba that the continuation of the status aparte for the first of January, 19

86 will not only increase the expenditures of the government apparatus by more or less 37 million guilders, but at the same time the status aparte procedure will take away attention from urgent problems at a appropriate time. The uncertainty in relations to the status aparte of Aruba does not create a favorable investment climate. Holland lives with you all and will not back down from her responsibility. Holland feels that she has a moral debt to help you all. It is not for nothing that the development aid was increased from 175 million to 260 million guilders. But there are limits, and those limits will be stipulated politically, according to the problems Holland confronts. The sooner you all put order in your own country and come up with creative projects, the greater will be the possibility for Holland to help you all, Dr. Zoutendijk concluded.

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